

REMARKS

Claims 61 and 62 are canceled by the amendment set forth above, thus placing the application into condition for allowance by canceling all claims that presently stand rejected. No new matter is entered by this amendment.

The present amendment is made without prejudice to the right of the Applicant to seek, via a continuing application, allowance of claims that are identical to, or even broader than, presently canceled Claims 61 and 62. The reasons set forth in the discussion paper submitted September 1, 2004, with appropriate extension, properly support the allowability of such claims.

Allowable Claims

All claims remaining after entry of the present amendment stand allowed, so the Examiner is respectfully requested to promptly issue a notice of allowability for all pending claims.

The Commissioner is authorized to construe this paper as including a petition to extend the period for response by the number of months necessary to make this paper timely filed. Fees or deficiencies required to cause the response to be complete and timely filed may be charged, and any overpayments should be credited, to our Deposit Account No. **50-0490**.

Respectfully submitted,

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